

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: T. KOBAYASHI et al.  
Application No.: 10/553,747  
Filed: OCTOBER 18, 2005  
Title: MOLECULAR DETECTION METHOD, MOLECULAR  
COUNTING METHOD, MOLECULAR LOCALIZATION  
DETECTION METHOD, AND MOLECULAR DETECTION  
SYSTEM USED THEREFOR  
Group AU: 1634  
Examiner: Narayan Kameshwar Bhat  
Confirm. No.: 5938

**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**  
**(AMENDMENT)**

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 6, 2010, and concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal, the period for response having been extended for three (3) months by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.